

Garrett Transit has good year

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OAKLAND — Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. (CAC) announced that a recent statistics review of fiscal year 2015 ending June 30 for Garrett Transit Service (GTS), who provides public transportation services for Garrett County, revealed that GTS traveled 1,031,557 miles while providing 111,641 rides to local residents and visitors. In addition GTS transported 8,451 non-ambulatory/wheelchair riders for that time period. For fiscal year 2015 Garrett Transit created a record of safety that did not include any reportable accidents or injuries or fatalities.

"Traveling over 1 million miles accident free is a remarkable accomplishment and a testament to the skill and professionalism of our drivers and support staff," said Gregan Crawford, Director of Transportation for GTS.

"Our drivers are very dedicated to serving the people of Garrett County and have

driven for Garrett Transit for an average of 9.2 years," he added.

Duane Yoder, president of Garrett County Community Action Committee, said Garrett Transit is "community driven by community needs" and that GTS also assists with hot meal deliveries to seniors and in providing transportation for Head Start programs.

In order to continue to build upon the successes of FY15, GTS drivers, dispatchers, and office staff will continue to engage in training opportunities in the coming year.

Garrett Transit will also work to implement new technologies such as automatic vehicle locators that will aid in building rider capacity and create greater operational efficiencies.

More information regarding about the GTS program services can be found at www.garrettcac.org. Reservations for a ride can be made by calling 301-533-9010 Monday through Friday during regular business hours.